## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of generating a caricatured image, said method comprising:

determining a caricature level value in dependence on an intended size of <u>the</u> outer boundaries encompassing a caricatured image to be generated; and

generating the caricatured image of said intended size using the caricature level value thus determined.

Claim 2 (Canceled).

- 3. (Currently Amended) A method according to <u>claim 9</u>, <u>claim 2</u>, wherein: the function is applied over at least a sub-range of the possible range of intended sizes of the caricatured image to be generated.
- 4. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium storing a computer program or suite of computer programs arranged such that when executed by a computer system it/they enable the computer system to operate according to claim 1.

Claim 5 (Canceled).

6. (Currently Amended) A system for generating caricatured images, the system comprising processing means arranged in use to:

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- i) determine a caricature level value in dependence on an intended size of <u>the</u> outer boundaries encompassing a caricatured image to be generated; and
- ii) generate the caricatured image of said intended size using the caricature level value thus determined.

Claim 7 (Canceled).

- 8. (Currently Amended) A system according to <u>claim 11</u>, <u>claim 7</u>, wherein: the function is applied over at least a sub-range of the possible range of intended sizes of the caricatured image to be generated.
- 9. (New) A method of generating a caricatured image, said method comprising:

determining a caricature level value in dependence on an intended size of the caricatured image to be generated; and

generating the caricatured image of said intended size using the caricature level value thus determined;

wherein the determining step further comprises determining the caricature level value as a generally inverse function of the intended size of the caricatured image to be generated.

10. (New) A computer readable medium storing a computer program or suite of computer programs arranged such that when executed by a computer system it/they enable the computer system to operate according to claim 9.

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- 11. (New) A system for generating caricatured images, the system comprising processing means arranged in use to:
- i) determine a caricature level value in dependence on an intended size of the caricatured image to be generated; and
- ii) generate the caricatured image of said intended size using the caricature level value thus determined;

wherein the processing means is further arranged in use to determine the caricature level value as a generally inverse function of the intended size of the caricatured image to be generated.